

1894-013 Chancery Causes: Amanda G. Trent vs. Tipton Trent
Lee Co.

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CA-Divorce

1 To The Hon. H. S. H. Morrison,
2 Judge of the Circuit Court for Lee Co., Va.:
3 Humbly Complaining your Oratrix
4 Amanda J. Trent, wife of Lipton Trent, would
5 respectfully represent and shew unto your honor
6 that about seven years ago she was mar-
7 ried to her said husband, Lipton Trent, with
8 whom she lived about one month, when he,
9 without cause wilfully deserted and abandoned
10 her and went to the state of Tenn., where he
11 has since remained and now is, as your Oratrix
12 is informed. The fruits of said marriage
13 was a daughter named Ina, who is
14 now years old, and who is and has been
15 all the while in the care and custody of your
16 Oratrix. your Oratrix is now and has been
17 for more than one year preceding this date
18 domiciled in this state and County and
19 expects to remain a citizen or resident of
20 said County. your Oratrix would further shew
21 unto your honor that from the day he left
22 her until the filing of this bill she & her said
23 husband have never lived together as husband
24 and wife.

25 The premises considered your Oratrix is
26 advised that under the Statute of Virginia,
27 (Code 1887), she has just cause of complaint;
28 but that the same is only cognizable in a
29 Court of Equity; that she is entitled to a
30 divorce ~~ex viro~~ ~~matrimonii~~; her prayer there-
31 fore is that your honor take cognizance of
32 her cause & that the said Lipton Trent be

1 made a party defendant to this bill; that an
2 order of publication be made as to him, he
3 being a non-resident of this State; that he
4 be required to appear and answer the same
5 fully & completely, but not upon oath;
6 that upon a final hearing your oratrix asks that
7 ~~the same be granted~~ she be granted a final
8 divorce from the bonds of matrimony now
9 existing between her & her said husband,
10 and in addition thereto that she be allowed
11 to retain the custody of her said infant
12 daughter, all hopes of reconciliation upon
13 the part of her said husband being now
14 gone; and for such other & further relief
15 as her cause, both in Law & Equity may de-
16 mand. May process issue & Order of Publication
17 be made, &c., And to this end she will ever
18 pray, &c.

19 Jackson & Blankenship, P.G.
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1st Febry 1894

Amanda J. Trent

vs. } Bill in Ch'y.

Gipton Trent

Jackson & Blankenship, P.G.

1894 1st Febry Rules
Bill filed & pa not
Ex d Order subd & contd
2nd Febry Rules order
Pub. Completed & D. nisi
caused & cause set for
hearing by Plff

" March Term sure
finds March
9th 1894. O.B.

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Depo 1.50

Writ 1.00

Pr. 15.00

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1 Amanda J. Trent

2 vs.

3 Lipton Trent

{ In Chancery.

4 This Cause having been set
5 for hearing came on this day to be heard upon the
6 Bill of Complaint and the depositions of
7 witnesses, and was argued by Counsel;
8 And it appearing to the Court that the
9 allegations of said Bill had been fully proven,
10 it is adjudged, ordered and decreed that the
11 marriage heretofore solemnized between
12 the plaintiff, Amanda J. Trent, and the
13 defendant, Lipton Trent, be, and the same
14 is hereby dissolved; and that the said
15 Amanda J. Trent be forever divorced from
16 the said Lipton Trent, and that he be ~~forever~~
17 restrained from marrying again; and
18 that the plaintiff recover from the
19 defendant her costs by her expended in
20 in the prosecution of this suit - and
21 that she have the possession, care
22 and custody of her infant daughter,
23 Ina Trent. And this Cause is stricken
24 from the docket.

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Amanda J. Hunt

vs. { Decree

Lepton Hunt

E. O. B. Page 562.

March 9, 1894

Enter this decree,

J. S. K. M.

March 9, 1894.

1 Amanda J. Kent, Plff.

2 W. & In Chancery.

3 Yipton Kent, Def.

4 The depositions of

5 Joel Barker, Sarah Barker

6 taken on the 15 day of February, 1894, at

7 the residence of J. B. Olinger, Olinger, Lee Co., Va.,

8 which are to be read as evidence on

9 behalf of the Plaintiff in the Chancery

10 Cause of Amanda J. Kent, Plff & Yipton

11 Kent, Def., which is now pending in

12 the Circuit Court of Lee County,

13 Virginia.

14 Present: Geo. M. Blauenship, Atty for Plff.

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16 Joel Barker, a witness of lawful
17 age, being duly sworn deposes as follows:

(1) 18 Ques. Please state your ^{name} age, occupation,
19 place of residence, and whether or not
20 you are acquainted with the Plain-
21 tiff and Defendant in this case?

Ans 22 Joel Barker is my name. I am 64
23 years of age and a Farmer. I live
24 in Crab Orchard Lee Co Va. I am well
25 acquainted with both the Plaintiff
26 and Defendant in this case.

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(2) 28 Ques. State whether or not the Plaintiff
29 and Defendant are living together as
30 man and wife, if not how long have
31 they been separate?

Ans 32 They are not now living together

1 as man and wife. They have not
2 lived together as man and wife
3 for nearly six years. he left her
4 over five years ago and has been away
5 ever since.

(3) 5 Ques. State whether or not the Defendant
6 deserted or abandoned his wife, the Plaintiff
7 in this case?

Ans. 8 He did abandon her and left
9 her without Cause and with
10 nothing for her support. He was
11 a wild, reckless, drinking and
12 worthless fellow.

(4) 15 Ques. Was this desertion with the consent
16 or connivance of his wife, the Plaintiff in
17 this case?

Ans 18 It was not by her Consent, but
19 but against her wish and will.

(5) 20 Ques. Has the Plaintiff & Defendant in this case
21 lived together as man and wife in the last
22 five years?

Ans 23 They have not. For the Plaintiff
24 has been living at my house
25 for over five years. Since he
26 left her and I know they have
27 not lived together during that
28 time.

29 And further this deponent with not.

Witness Claims

1 day 50 cts Paid by Plff.

Joel Barker
mark

1 Sarah Barker, another witness of lawful
2 age being duly sworn deposes & says:
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(1) 4 Ques. Please state your name, age, place of
5 residence & occupation, and whether or not
6 you are acquainted with the Plaintiff and
7 Defendant in this case?

Ans. 8 My name is Sarah Barker. I am
9 28 years of age. I live in Crab
10 Orchard Lee Co Va. A House-keeper
11 by occupation. I am well acquainted
12 with both Plaintiff and defendant
13 in this case.

(2) 14 Ques. State whether or not the Defendant will-
15 fully abandoned or deserted his wife, the
16 Plaintiff in this case? And if so, how long
17 has it been since they have lived together as
18 man and wife?

Ans. 19 Yes, the Defendant did willfully
20 abandon the Plaintiff. They have
21 not lived together for nearly six
22 years. She has lived with me and
23 Joel Barker, ^{my husband} ever since he left
24 her. and I am sure he had
25 no cause to leave her and
26 treat her the way he did.
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(3) 30 Ques. State whether or not this abandonment
31 was with the consent or connivance of
32 the Plaintiff?

Ans. I am sure he left her without
her consent, and I am sure
it was not at her connivance
for he left her without any means
of support, and has not helped
her in any way since he left
her nearly six years ago.

(4) Ques. Do you know where the Defendant now
resides?

Ans. I don't know where he now is, but
I learn he has left the country.

(5) Ques. Is the Plaintiff in this case a woman
of high character in the community where
she lives ^{is she} & so held by the people by whom
she is known?

Ans. She is a woman of good character
and stands well in the community
in which she lives - I never heard
any one speak of her only as
a woman of high character.

And further this deponent with not.
witness claims 1 day Sarah ^{her} Barker

50 cts Pd. by Plff. Virginia Lee bounty To-wit:

I, Henry C. Foslyn a Justice of the Peace
for the said County, do hereby certify, that
the foregoing depositions of Joel Barker
and Sarah Barker were duly taken
sworn to and subscribed before me
at the time and place mentioned in
the caption of the same. Given under my
hand this 15th day of February 1894.

Henry C. Foslyn J.P.

Amanda J. Trent
v.s. } In Chancery
Tipton Trent

The depositions of
Joel Barker and
Sarah Barker.

Received from H. C. Joslyn
The Justice before whom
Taken and filed February
The 16th 1894
A. B. Munsey Clerk

A. P. Fee \$1.50
Writ 1.00
\$2.50

In the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of the County of
Lee on the *18th* day of *January* 1894.

against

Amanda Trent

Plaintiff

In Chancery

Tipton Trent

Defendant

The object of this suit is to *is to obtain a decree for a divorce*
avinculo Matrimoni, dissolving the bonds of
Matrimony existing between the Plaintiff and
Defendant

And an affidavit having been made and filed that the defendant

Tipton Trent

not a resident of the State of Virginia, it is ordered that *he* do appear here, within *fifteen days*
after due publication hereof, and do what may be necessary to protect *his* interest in this suit. And
it is further ordered that a copy hereof be published once a week for four weeks in the *Lee County*
Republican and that a copy be posted at the front door of the court-house of this
on the first day of the next term of the *County* Court.

A copy—Teste:

Jackson & Blankenship p. q.

A. B. Munsey Clerk.

Amanda J. Trent

vs. }

ORDER OF
PUBLICATION.

Lipton Trent

I, A. B. Munsey Clerk of the
Circuit Court do certify
that I delivered the within
order on the 18th January 1874
for publication, and posted
a copy thereof at the front
door of the Court house at
the January Term 1874 of
the County Court
A. B. Munsey clk

In the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of the County of
Lee State of *Va.*

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against

Plaintiff

In Chancery

Tipton Trent

Defendant

This day *Geo M B Furkship* personally appeared
before me, *A. B. Munsey* Clerk of the said Court,
and being duly sworn, made oath that

Tipton Trent

defendant in the said suit *is* not a resident of the State of Virginia,

Given under my hand as Clerk of the said Court, this

18 day of *Jan'y*

18*94*.

A B Munsey Clerk

Amanda J. Trent

vs.

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AFFIDAVIT FOR ORDER
OF
PUBLICATION.

Tipton Trent

Jackson & Blankenship, p. q.

The Commonwealth of Virginia,

Scott

To the Sheriff of the County of ~~Lee~~, Greeting:

WE COMMAND YOU, That you summon *Tipton Trent*

to appear at the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of the County of Lee, at the rules to be held for the said Court on the *1st* Monday in *February*, 189*4*, to answer a bill in Chancery, exhibited against *him* in our said court by *Amanda J. Trent*

The object of this suit is to obtain a decree for a divorce a vinculo Matrimonii dissolving the bonds of Matrimony existing between the Plaintiff & Defendant

And have then there this writ. Witness, A. B. MUNSEY, Clerk of our said Court, at the court-house;

the *20th* day of *December* 189*3*, and in the *11. 8th* year of the Commonwealth.

A copy Teste

A. B. Munsey Clerk.

A. B. Munsey clerk

US. { **SUBPŒNA**
 IN CHANCERY.

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To Rules,

Circuit Court.

The Commonwealth of Virginia,

Scott

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The object of this suit is to obtain a decree for a divorce a vinculo matrimonii dissolving the bonds of matrimony existing between the plaintiff & defendant

And have then there this writ. Witness, A. B. MUNSEY, Clerk of our said Court, at the court-house, the *20th* day of *December* 189*3*, and in the 11*8th* year of the Commonwealth.

A. B. Munsey Clerk.

Amanda J. Trent

US. { SUBPENA
IN CHANCERY.

Lipton Trent

Jackson & Blauenship p. q.

To 1st February 1894
Rules,

Circuit Court.

Not Executed Lipton
Trent was not found
in my county this Jan 12th
1894
it is said that he taken
a woman by the name
of Gains and run off
with her I do not know
where they went too

Ch. Young \$3 for
W. R. Strong \$3.00

In the clerk's office of the circuit court
of the county of Lee on the 18th day of
January 1894

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Plff }

against

} In Chancery

Tipton Trent

Def.

The object of this suit is to obtain a
decree for a divorce *vinculo matrimonii*
dissolving the bonds of matrimony exist-
ing between the plff and def't.

And an affidavit having been made and
filed that the defendant Tipton Trent is
not a resident of the State of Virginia, it
is ordered that he do appear here within
fifteen days after due publication hereof,
and do what may be necessary to protect
his interest in this suit. And it is furth-
er ordered that a copy hereof be publish-
ed once a week for four weeks in the Lee
County Republican and that a copy be
posted at the front door of the court
house of this county on the first day of
the next term of the county court.

A copy--Teste:

A. B. Munsey Clerk.

Jackson & Blankinship

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I, H. P. Bryden & Sons pub

isher of the LEE COUNTY REPUBLICAN
a weekly newspaper, published in the
town of Jonesville, county of Lee, and
State of Virginia, do hereby certify that
the foregoing Order of Publication was
duly published in the above named pa-
per for four successive weeks, ending the
6th day of Feb 1894.

for Sam L. Bryden

Publisher, LEE COUNTY REPUBLICAN